

## AMUSEMENTS

## Academy Opens Thursday.

Charles H. Yale sends out his "Everlasting Devil's Auction" Company, and this year the introduction of a number of European specialties is particularly pleasing to the ladies and children.

This is a strong feature of this production, and to this point have been engaged the famous H.M. Brothers, acrobatic grotesques.

These artists were among the recent importations of Klaw & Erlanger's advanced vaudeville, and upon the termination of their engagement with that firm, were secured by Manager Yale for his "Devil's Auction" Company.

The scenery, mechanical, transformation and trick changes have always been one of the "Devil's Auction's" strongest features, a fact fully appreciated by its management, and not lost sight of in this the twenty-sixth edition.

Quite a number of new scenes and effects have been prepared, notably "the Devil's Volcano," with marvelous electric effects; "the Kingdom of Memphis," introducing at the finale of this scene a most original and novel instantaneous change to a full stage "set," representing "the Beautiful Valley of Andoche," two new comedy trick scenes, "the Queen of the Castle Morpheus," and "the Magic Picture Gallery," which, in conjunction with the magnificent "Gardens of the Manikins," "the Grand Tournament Scene," "the Sphinx Scene," with its many other elaborate changes, too numerous to particularize, promise to make the twenty-sixth edition of "The Everlasting Devil's Auction" the most notable production of its phenomenal career. The production will be here Thursday night.

## The Week at Idlewood.

For the coming week the management of Idlewood Park will offer a vaudeville bill that promises to measure fully up to the high standard maintained at the popular summer resort.

Two of the three acts for the week have just returned to America after a tour of several months through Cuba.

Among the artists will be Ed. Esters, in an equilibrium hand-balancing act that is said to be the greatest of its kind now before the public.

The Three Tumbling Toms are also much-proving in a comedy knock-about turn, while Kennedy and Kennedy are said to be far above the average song and dance artists.

The attendance at Idlewood for the past few weeks has been very gratifying, the theatre having very few weeks vacant on any night during the week.

During the coming week the usual features, such as band concerts, daily matinees, dancing, etc., will be among the attractions offered these in quest of an evening's recreation.

## Good Bill at Colonial.

The bill at the Colonial for the coming week is one of exceptional merit. The Dieppe auto race, Pathe Freres' official picture, and also the great "The Three" by the Ince production.

The bill at the Ince production of all illustrated songs will be sung, and is called "Just Because He Could Not Sing Love Me and the World is Mine." The Colonial will reopen Labor Day with a new bill.

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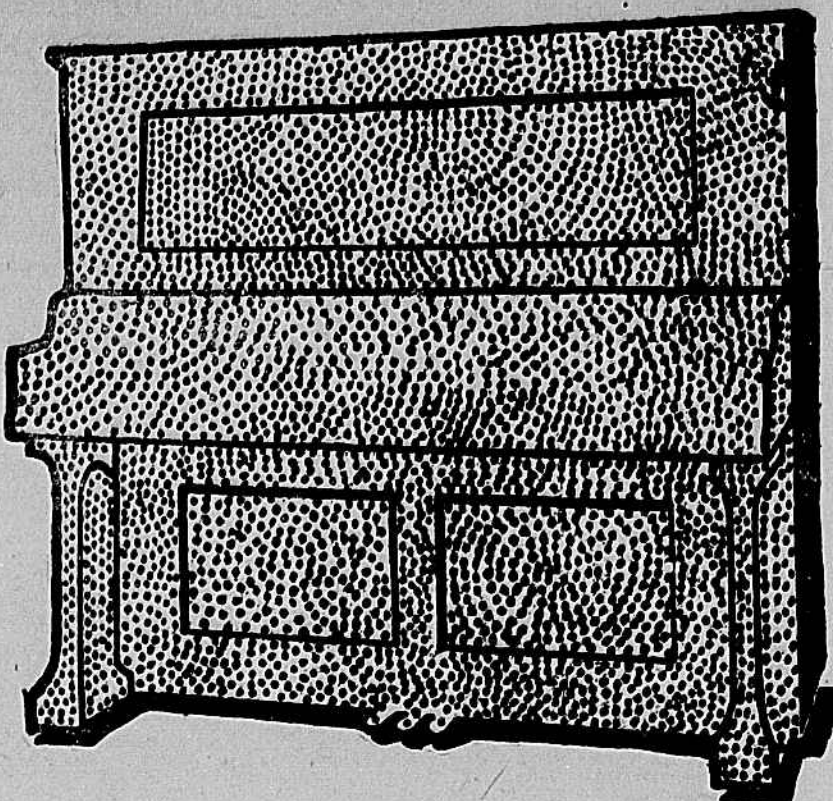
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